

Chapter 8.56**MOBILE X-RAY UNITS**

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8.56.010 Definitions.

- (a) "Mobile X-ray Operator" means any person or other entity, who owns or legally possesses, or operates a mobile X-ray unit.
- (b) "Mobile X-ray unit" means any X-ray generator which is, or can be used for the purpose of making medical diagnostic photofluorographic films of persons, and which is installed in or upon a motor vehicle or trailer so that it may be transported from place to place. (1569-5/70)

8.56.020 Scope. All mobile X-ray units shall comply with the requirements of the radiation control law, Division 20, Chapter 7.6, California Health and Safety Code, together with regulations enacted pursuant thereto. (1569-5/70)

8.56.030 License--Applicant investigation. Any person or entity desiring to operate a mobile X-ray unit within the city shall make application to the County Health Officer on forms prescribed by him for issuance of a license. The County Health Officer shall cause to be conducted an investigation of the applicant for a license to determine, among other things, the following items of information:

- (a) The unit has a valid state registration as provided by Division 20, Chapter 7.6, California Health and Safety Code;
- (b) The applicant has complied with applicable laws, ordinances and regulations including those relating to the reporting to the health officer of abnormal X-ray findings pursuant to regulations of the state department of public health;
- (c) The proper public notices, as required by state law, regulations enacted pursuant thereto, and local ordinances, have been posted in or upon the mobile unit;
- (d) The location and mailing address of all film files to be maintained by said mobile unit as hereinafter provided;
- (e) The applicant and his specified personnel are qualified personnel by reason of training and experience to operate a mobile X-ray unit in such a manner as to provide reasonable assurance of protection to health, life and property;
- (f) The applicant's equipment, facilities, proposed uses and procedures are such as to provide reasonable assurance of protection to health, life and property;
- (g) Such other information as shall be required by the County Health Officer. (1569-5/70)

8.56.040 License--Compliance determination. No license shall be granted, renewed or reinstated unless the County Health Officer determines, upon completing his investigation, that the mobile X-ray unit is, or can be, operated in compliance with applicable laws, ordinances and administrative regulations, and in a manner not detrimental to the health of the patrons, employees and the general public and all operations of mobile X-ray equipment have been certified by the County Health Officer to operate same. (1569-5/70)

8.56.050 License--Granting. Licenses may be granted at any time during the year, but all licenses shall expire at the end of the calendar year. (1569-5/70)

8.56.060 License--Unit operators. No mobile X-ray shall be operated unless the operator thereof has been licensed as hereinbefore provided. No mobile X-ray unit shall be operated by any person other than the applicant or the persons specified in his license. (1569-5/70)

8.56.070 Conditions of operation. All mobile X-ray units shall be operated so as to comply with the following conditions:

- (a) No person under the age of fifteen years is to be X-rayed unless such person has had a positive tuberculin skin test and presents a written statement, signed by a licensed practitioner of the healing arts, showing the method and the date of such positive skin test. A sign shall be posted in a prominent location of the mobile X-ray unit stating that no person under the age of fifteen years is to be X-rayed unless such person has had a positive tuberculin skin test.
- (b) No pregnant woman shall be X-rayed in a mobile X-ray unit unless so ordered in writing by a licensed practitioner of the healing arts. A sign shall be posted in a prominent location on the mobile X-ray unit stating that no pregnant woman shall be X-rayed.
- (c) The Mobile X-ray Operator shall require all persons, before being X-rayed, to complete an informal form showing the name, age, sex, address, telephone number, the person's physician's name and address, if a female, whether pregnant, if under fifteen years of age, whether the person has had a positive tuberculin skin test, and the date of such test.
- (d) All X-ray films shall be retained by the operator for at least ten years. Each patient shall receive from the Mobile X-ray Operator a report of his X-ray findings within thirty days. Every thirty days, the operator shall submit to the health officer a report of the total number of X-ray films taken during the preceding calendar month.
- (e) The Mobile X-ray Operator shall make X-ray films available for use by the physician of the person X-rayed, provided the person gives his consent in writing. The operator may make a reasonable charge for such service.
- (f) A sign shall be posted in a prominent location on the mobile X-ray unit stating essentially the following:

"A chest X-ray film is a useful aid to the physician in diagnosing chest disease. It is not a complete examination. See your family doctor for an examination at least once a year."
- (g) The County Health Officer shall have the right to determine the location, size and wording of all required signs.
- (h) The Mobile X-ray Operator shall give the County Health Officer notice at least fourteen calendar days in advance concerning proposed dates, times and places of use of the unit. All such information will be forwarded by the County Health Officer to the city.

- (i) The name and address of the Mobile X-ray Operator shall be plainly printed on each side of the exterior of the vehicle or trailer in letters at least three inches high. The name and address of the Mobile X-ray Operator shall appear on all forms, letters, pamphlets or other printed matter used in conjunction with the unit. Neither sign nor printed matter shall contain any statements expressed or implied that the mobile X-ray unit is associated with any health department or other public or private health agency.
- (j) The mobile X-ray operation shall comply with all applicable city ordinances and resolutions while operating in the city. (1569-5/70)